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N. J.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of the medals bearing the head of Lincoln. A formal acknowledgement will be sent you later.

A Mr. H. V. Letkemann, 577 East 170th Street, New York, is instrumental in having badges and medals struck, and if he is not on your books I think it would pay you to send him one of your books. He represents several German Societies.

I beg to remain,

Yours very truly,

B.S. WHITEHEAD, PRESIDENT. CHESTER R. HOAG, VICE PREST. WALTER C. HEATH, SECRETARY. WM A. JONES, TREASURER.

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.
NEWARK, N.J.

August 25th, 1917.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,
American Numismatic Society,
Broadway & 156th St.,
New York City.

Dear Sir;-

The Trewnav Club of Van Wert, Ohio, are interested in having struck up some fac-similes of the original "Captors' Medal"which was awarded by the Government to three patriotic soldiers of that section who captured Benedict Arnold, the spy, the soldiers being John Paulding, Isaac Van Wert and Henry Williams.

They have a copper electrotype of the original medal for our guidance in making the medals, but from this shell it is rather difficult to tell just what thickness the original medals were. As we would like to get them as near the proper thickness as possible, we are taking the liberty of writing you to ask if you can advise us the thickness of this medal. We understand there is one of the medals in the archives of the country.

Any information you can give us on this subject will be very greatly appreciated.

Thanking you in advance, we are,

Yours very truly,

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.

J.C. Day

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THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.
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Nov. 15, 1918

The American Numismatic Society,
156th St., West of Broadway,
New York City.

Gentlemen:-

You very kindly sent us the other day photographs of the Distinguished Service Cross, Distinguished Service Medal and United States Army Medal of Honor. Can you also furnish us a photograph of the United States Navy medal of Honor. The enclosed print, which we made by photographing a colored print in a magazine, does not, as you will observe, show the detail very clearly.

Can you also tell us whether the Distinguished Service Cross and the Distinguished Service medal are awarded to the men of the Army only, or of both Army and Navy.

Thanking you in advance and assuring you of our appreciation, we remain,

Yours very truly,

WHITEHEAD & HOAG COMPANY

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THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG COMPANY, Newark, N. J.

November 16th, 1918.

Mr. H. E. Roesch,
Novelty Sales Department,
Whitehead & Hoag Co.,
Newark, N. J.

Dear Sir:-

Your letter just at hand, and we had overlooked sending you a photograph of the Naval Medal of Honor. This I will try to get off to you Monday. The print we will send you has not the ribbon attached in the same manner as on the photograph enclosed. Our photograph shows the arrangement in its latest form.

The Distinguished Service Cross and the Distinguised Service Medal are awarded to men in the army only. The cross is for deeds in action; the medal not necessarily so, but the Army Appropriation Bill for 1918 regarding these two medals would lead one to think that the medal ranked lower than the cross. The news of the past few weeks telling of the President presenting this medal to Foch, Joffre, Haig and others makes me inclined to think that this medal may be used specially, with no relation to the cross, however I am not certain on this point.

Yours very truly,

Curator.

April 2nd, 1920.

Whitehead & Hoag Company,
Newark, N. J.

Gentlemen:-

We beg to acknowledge with thanks the two specimens of the Navy N-C Curtis medal handed to us last evening by Mr. Kilenyi.

Very truly yours,

Curator.

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.
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May 22nd, 1920.

American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, N. Y.

Dear Sirs:-

As an associate member of your Society, I would greatly appreciate your sending me data and perhaps photographs showing statuary or medals that may have been struck pertaining to the subject of machinery.

Hoping you will be able to send the writer the requested material, I remain

Yours respectfully,

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May 28th, 1920

Mr. C. W. Treat
The Whitehead & Hoag Co.
210 Conn. Mutual Life Building
Hartford, Conn.

My dear Mr. Treat:

We have your letter of May 22nd, and I shall make an effort to see what I can find among our Collection of medals pertaining to the subject of machinery. At the moment, I do not remember any such, but I think very likely such pieces exist and we undoubtedly have some in our Collection.

The absence of Mr. Wood, our Curator who is in London, has thrown an extra burden on the rest of the staff, and it may take me a few days to look this matter up but I shall let you know as quickly as possible what I find.

Very truly yours,

W/F

Assistant to Curator

October 20th, 1921.

Whitehead & Hoag Company,
Newark,
New Jersey.

Gentlemen:-

If you still have any remainders of the badges that were issued by towns and other organizations to participants in the World War, and it is not too much trouble, could you send us some of them. We are slowly getting together many of these, and we naturally would like our collection as complete as possible. Any expenses connected therewith will be gladly borne by us.

Very truly yours,

Curator.

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.
NEWARK, N.J.

January 31, 1922.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,
The American Numismatic Soc.,
Broadway between 155th and 156th Sts.,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

We wish to apologize sincerely for our oversight in neglecting to send you the medals requested in your letter of October 20th, 1921. Your letter was mislaid and only came to light a few days ago.

The medals, however, have gone forward, and we trust they will be in your hands by the time this letter reaches you.

Again apologizing for our oversight, we remain

Yours very truly,

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.

J. A. Day

MGR. BADGE SALES DEP'T.

The Factory & Main Offices of

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BRANCH OFFICES

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.
NEWARK, N.J.

August 13, 1923.

American Memismatic Society,
Broadway & 156th Street,
New York City.

Gentlemen:

We have been commissioned to make a new medal for the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. One side is to be practically a copy of an old medal of theirs. We are enclosing a print.

Have you a copy of this medal that we could borrow as an aid to our die cutters in making the new die? The medal which we are seeking does not, of course, show the wording as on the print. That is more, we think it is very much larger than the print.

If you could accomodate us in this particular, we will appreciate it very much.

Yours very truly,

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.

J. C. Coy.

JCD:LW

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August 14th, 1923

The Whitehead & Hoag Company
Newark, N.J.

Attention - Mr. J. C. Day

Gentlemen:

In reply to your favour of August 13th, we have this day forwarded to you by parcel post the medal which you desired as an aid to your die-cutters.

Trusting same reaches you safely and in good time, I am,

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW/E

August 16, 1923.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Sir:-

Thanks very much for yours of the 19th, also the S.A.R. medal, which was received today.

We hope to be able to return the medal to you in approximately ten days time.

We will take good care of it.

Yours very truly,

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.

Treasurer.

JCD:LS

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.
NEWARK, N.J.

September 8, 1923.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

We are returning to you, under separate cover, the S. A. R. Medal, which you so kindly loan us.

We want to express our appreciation of same, and hope at some time in the future to be able to reciprocate the favor.

Yours very truly,

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.

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M'GR. BADGE SALES DEP'T.

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September 13th, 1923

The Whitehead & Hoag Co.
Newark, N.J.

Attention - Mr. J. C. Day

Gentlemen:

We beg to thank you for the return of the S. A. R. Medal which has come safely to hand. We were very glad to be of service to you.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW/E

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.
NEWARK, N.J.

November 30, 1923.

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator,
The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway, Between 155th - 156th Sts.,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

We are sending you herewith a copy of the new medal, which we have been commissioned to make for the National Society Sons of the American Revolution, about which we wrote you under date of August 13th.

We believe you will be glad to add this Medal to your collection.

Yours very truly,

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.

MHO

MGR. BADGE SALES DEP'T.

December 4th, 1923.

The Whitehead & Hoag Company,
Newark, N. J.

Attention of Mr. J.C.Day, Mg'r. Badge Sales Dep't.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of November 30th and the copy of the new medal of the National Society Sons of the American Revolution. Thank you very much. We are glad to add this medal to our collection.

Very truly yours,

Curator.

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.
NEWARK, N.J.

Apr. 7, 1925.

American Numismatic Society,
Audubon Park,
New York City.

Gentlemen:-

Under separate cover we are sending you a sample of a medal which we have just completed for the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.

This medal is used as an award in a poster contest conducted among the school children of Massachusetts. I believe you would like to have this sample for your collection, and would be very glad, indeed, to have you accept it with our compliments.

Yours very truly,
THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.

JCDay.

JCD:ACH

MGR. BADGE SALES DEPT.

April 11th, 1925

The Whitehead & Hoag Co.
Newark, N.J.

Attention - Mr. J. C. Day

Gentlemen:

I beg to thank you very much for favoring us with a specimen of the medal which has been struck for the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. We are very glad indeed to add this to our Collection, and greatly appreciate your thought for our Cabinet.

Thanking you for this courtesy, I am,

Very truly yours,

Curator

SEPTEMBER
21st 1927

Mr. Howland Wood,
The American Numismatic Society,
156th Street and Broadway,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Wood:-

I am sending you some Lindbergh tokens, and in addition I am sending you two copies of the large Lindbergh medal made for the St. Louis Lindbergh committee and distributed by them at the banquet at St. Louis in honor of Colonel Lindbergh on his return after his flight abroad.

Will you see that some of these tokens get into the hands of your assistants for the Swedish National Numismatic Society? That is my recollection of the name.

The writer and Mr. Draper appreciated your courtesies of yesterday afternoon very much, and if at any time we can be of service to you in connection with any of our products, we will be very glad indeed to have you write us.

Yours very truly,
THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG COMPANY

JCDay.

Assistant Secretary

JCD:NA

September 24, 1927

Whitehead & Hoag Co.,
Newark, N. J.

Gentlemen:

The package containing the Lindbergh medals came yesterday. In behalf of the Society I wish to thank you very much for sending these on. I appreciate it very much and Mr. Robertson begs me to thank you for some of the duplicates, which he intends to send to Sweden.

I beg to remain

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW:MB

THE
WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.
NEWARK, N. J.

BRANCH OFFICE
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CINCINNATI, OHIO

Jan. 11th
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The American Numismatic Society
Broadway & 155th Street
New York City, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

I am just in receipt of a letter from James D. Henderson of Henderson & Ross, who inform me that they are in need of a Nurenberg Counter, stating that you referred me to them. This letter from them mentioned your name, and it leads me to remember that other people have been referred to me by you.

I want to take this opportunity of thanking you and to let you know that I appreciate your consideration. Possibly I can be of some service to you. If so, do not hesitate to call upon me.

Cordially yours,

H. A. Brand

HAB:EK

July 15,1930

Whitehead & Hoag Co.
272 Sussex Avenue
Newark, New Jersey

Attention of Mr. Page

Dear Mr. Page:

We are collecting as many medals as we can, relating to aviation, and I am wondering if you could buy, beg or steal some that you have made; by this I mean, sample copies that you might have in stock and that could be spared. If so, I would let you know which ones we already have, although in many instances we should be glad to have a second copy so that both sides could be exhibited.

Very truly yours,

Curator.

NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

Sept.15,1930.

The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway bet. 155th and 156th St.,
New York City.

Att: Mr. Howland Wood, Curator.

Dear Mr.Wood:-

Due to vacation periods, this reply to your letter of late July inquiring about copies of aviation medals that we have produced has been unavoidably delayed.

We indeed will be most pleased to cooperate with your good Society in supplying copies of the unusual and very interesting medals we have produced.

A number of years ago we arranged with the officers of your Society for a rather comprehensive exhibit of medals produced by us and we had every good intention of keeping that particular part of your collection up to date but I fear that since then we have made many interesting medals that you have not had copies of. The writer will be pleased to arrange for a collection of some of the new and more interesting pieces and if it suits your convenience, will endeavor to come over and visit with you in regard to same sometime in the near future.

Assuring you of our willingness to supply such available copies as you may be interested in, we are,

Respectfully yours,

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.,

SECRETARY.

HCP:H

NEWARK. NEW JERSEY

Sept. 26, 1930

American Numismatic Society
Broadway & 156th St.
New York, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

Some years ago, so long ago in fact that all records have been destroyed, we received an order to make replicas of the medal that was awarded to van Wert, Paulding and Williams, for their capture of Major Andre.

We were furnished with a medal to copy. Enclosed is a sample of a medal exactly as we made it at that time, with the exception that the date, 1776, has been removed. This date appeared directly below the name "Williams" on the obverse of the medal.

As Andre was captured in 1780 we are endeavoring to asvertain why the date 1776 appeared on the medal.

We have no record of who our customer was and consequently cannot take the matter up with him.

We will be very glad to have you keep the medal which we are sending and if you can throw any light on this subject, we will appreciate it.

Yours very truly,
THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG COMPANY

JCDay

JCD:AD

Assistant Secretary

September 27, 1930

Whitehead & Hoag Co
Newark, New Jersey

Attention of Mr. J. C.Day, Asst. Sec'y

Dear Sirs:

We are in receipt of the replica of the Andre medal, for which please accept our thanks. I am sorry I cannot tell you anything about who ordered it and why as I have never seen one of these before. I have compared it with our copy of the Paulding medal and it was not copied from that. Probably it was copied from the Van Wert medal. A number of years ago cast copies were made I think, of the Williams specimen, with the inscriptions on the back erased. The originals were all hand chased so there are slight variations in the design which would not be noticeable to the casual eye.

Again thanking you for sending this copy to us which we very much appreciate, and if by chance I should run into any information about it, I will surely let you know.

Very truly yours,

Curator.

October 31, 1930

American Numismatic Society,
Broadway and 156th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Attention: Mr. Howland Wood, Curator

Gentlemen:-

Mr. J. C. Day, one of my associates, showed me an invitation to your opening on November 13th, which recalls to me that Mr. H. C. Page, our Secretary, asked me a couple of weeks ago to get together an Exhibit of our medals for you, particularly those made recently and including the Aviation medals.

I have a very nice assortment of medals ready now to deliver to you for display as per your letter to Mr. Page. I presume it will be satisfactory to send them over at any time and the sooner the better.

If you will write me, I will be glad to give the matter immediate attention.

Yours very truly,

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.

E S West

E. S. West, Manager,
METAL SALES DEPT.

ESW:R

Nov. 4,1930

E.S.West, Esq.
Manager Metal Sales Dept.
Whitehead & Hoag Co.
Newark, N. J.

Dear Sir:

Your letter is just at hand and we should be very glad to receive, at your convenience, any of the medals and especially the Aviation medals which you have picked out for us. I am afraid, however, that I cannot display them at the opening exhibition as the cases are all filled and arranged. But I assure you that they will be on view at the first opportunity.

Under separate cover I am mailing to you an invitation to our opening. I hope you can be with us.

With much appreciation,

Very truly yours,

Curator.

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.
NEWARK, N.J.

November 6, 1930

The American Numismatic Society,
Broadway and 156th St.,
New York, N. Y.

Attention: Mr. Howland Wood, Curator

Gentlemen;-

I am sending, by messenger, by Express an assortment of medals as per my recent letter to you. I attach to this letter a note giving the necessary description.

I am sorry that we haven't some of the earlier aviation medals we made. These are all quite recent and I have included, also, several other medals and you may have copies of one or two of these.

I hope it will be possible to arrange to display these at your opening.

Yours very truly,

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.

E S West

E. S. West, Manager,
METAL SALES DEPT.

ESW:R

Mr Day and I will be pleased to attend your opening.

Nov. 8, 1930

E. S.West, Esq.

Manager, Metal Sales Dept.

The Whitehead & Hoag Co.

Newark, N. J.

Dear Sir:

Thank you very much for the assortment of medals which came so promptly. I find that it is possible to place a good many of them on display for our opening exhibition. We shall be very glad to see you and Mr. Day on the 13th.

Again with thanks and appreciation,

Very truly yours,

Curator.

LINDBERG MEDAL

4 Gauge Bronze - 3-1/4" diameter. This medal was made by us for the official sponsors of Lindberg's Flight, the Chamber of Commerce of St. Louis.

Sculptor, Julio Kilenyi

BYRD NORTH POLE FLIGHT MEDAL

4 Gauge Bronze - 4" diameter. Made from model by Julio Kilenyi for the Wright Aeronautical Corporation.

BYRD SOUTH POLE MEDAL

4 Gauge Bronze - 3-1/4" diameter. Made for the Aeronautical Chamber of Commerce. Models by Julio Kilenyi.

A.S.M.E. MEDAL

Made for the American Society of Mechanical Engineers to commemorate their 50th anniversary. 4 Gauge Bronze - 2-3/4" Diameter. Sculptor, Julio Kilenyi.

NATIONAL RETAIL DRY GOODS ASS'N. MEDAL

4 Gauge Bronze - 3" Diameter. Distinguished Service Medal. Models by Julio Kilenyi.

FRANKLIN MEDAL

2 Gauge Bronze - 4" diameter. Made to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the Saturday Evening Post of the Curtis Publishing Company.

EDISON MEDAL

5" - 0000 Gauge Bronze. Made to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the invention of the first practical incandescent lamp and issued during the Lights' Golden Jubilee. Sculptor, Julio Kilenyi.

We understand this is the only 5" medal ever die stamped. In displaying this one Edison medal use for the reverse the medal showing the following wording:

TO
COMMEMORATE THE
FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE DEVELOPMENT BY
THOMAS A. EDISON
OF A SUCCESSFUL
INCANDESCENT LAMP

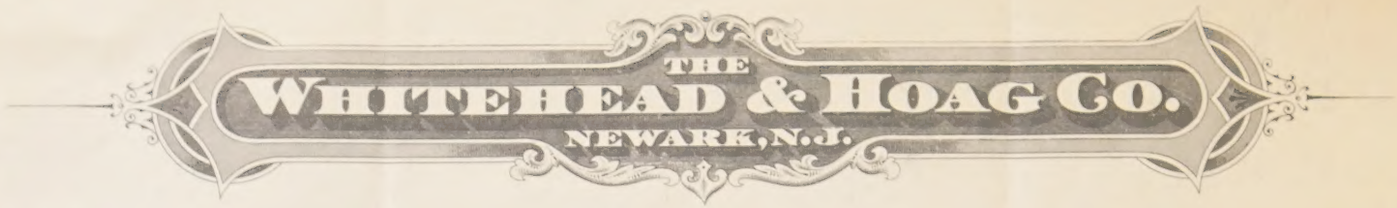
The other medal shows wording on the reverse that includes our name. (Show the obverse of this

ALL-AMERICA CABLE MEDAL

3-1/4" - 4 gauge bronze. Made to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the All-America Cables Co. Sculptor, Julio Kilenyi.

AMERICAN IRON & STEEL INSTITUTE MEDAL

3" - 4 Gauge bronze. Distinguished Service Medal. Sculptor, Julio Kilenyi.



GENERAL OFFICE & FACTORY.

NEWARK, NEW JERSEY

Dec. 17, 1930

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator
American Numismatic Society
Broadway & 156th St.
New York City

Dear Sir:-

Have you any record or any copies of medals that were struck to commemorate the surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown, one hundred and fifty years ago next October?

If you have, can you let me have a short description of them, and if you have prints of them, I will appreciate very much your sending them along.

Yours very truly,
THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.

J C Day
Assistant Secretary

JCD:MW

Dec. 19,1930

The Whitehead & Hoag Company

Newark, New Jersey

Dear Mr. Day:

In reply to your letter of the 17th, the only medal I can locate commemorating the surrender at Yorktown, is one gotten out on the 100th anniversary of this event, of which I am enclosing a pencil rubbing. It is rather strange that there have not been more medals of this event.

Very truly yours,

Curator.

THE
WHITEHEAD & HOAG CO.
NEWARK, N.J.

December 22, 1930

Mr. Howland Wood, Curator
The American Numismatic Society
Broadway & 156th St.
New York City

Dear Mr. Wood:-

Thank you very much for your letter of the 19th inst. sending us a rubbing of the medal commemorating the surrender at Yorktown.

Yours very truly,

THE WHITEHEAD & HOAG COMPANY

J C Day

Assistant Secretary

JCD:MW